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In Baltimore City

Authorities arrest man sought in 3 Waverly killings

A Baltimore County man being sought in last month's triple fatal shooting in Waverly was arrested yesterday afternoon in a house less than a mile from the slaying scene.

Otis Edwards III, 25, of the first block of Dowling Circle in Hillendale was arrested about 3:30 p.m. in the 1800 block of E. 28th St. by members of the Police Department's Warrant Apprehension Task Force and agents with the U.S. marshal's office.

Edwards was charged with three counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of Tony Blizzard Jr., 18, Jamal Fisher, 18, and Donte Weddington, 25, who were shot while sitting in a car Feb. 24 at East 29th and Mathews streets.

Fired housing worker is charged with fraud

A Baltimore housing authority employee was indicted yesterday on charges that he stole personal information about his colleagues and used it to obtain credit cards and rack up bills of more than \$20,000, according to city prosecutors and housing officials.

Officials said Steven L. Harris, 33, of the 1300 block of Ashland Ave., his brother and two others were involved in the scheme, which began in October and ended when they were arrested in January. Harris, a 12-year municipal employee, has been fired.

He is charged with credit card fraud, financial identity fraud and theft, as are William Harris, 37, of the 1000 block of Valley St.; Dorothy Parker, 40, of the 400 block of Valley St.; and Lyndon Johnson, 33, of the 1300 block of Bonsal St.

Man killed on playground in suspected drug robbery

A man was shot and killed early yesterday on a Southwest Baltimore playground during what police said was an incident involving drugs.

Calvin Drake, 34, of the 900 block of N. Rosedale St., was allegedly selling drugs in the playground, off the 700 block of N. Longwood St., shortly after midnight, said Agent Angelique Cook-Hayes, a police spokeswoman.

Cook-Hayes said a gunman approached Drake and either robbed or attempted to rob him, and then shot him in the chest. Drake was pronounced dead on arrival at Maryland Shock Trauma Center.

Circuit Judge Holland takes over family division

Baltimore Circuit Judge Marcella A. Holland took over the helm of the court's family division this week, court officials announced yesterday.

Holland, 53, succeeded Judge Albert J. Matricciani Jr., who will head a new division for business and technology cases. A former prosecutor, Holland was appointed to the bench in 1997 by Gov. Parris N. Glendening.

She will oversee all programs provided by the family division, such as parent education, mediation for child custody and visitation, and domestic violence. Holland and three court masters make up the division.

In Baltimore County

Bartenfelder to hold town meeting March 14

BALDWIN - County Councilman Joseph Bartenfelder, a Democrat who represents the 6th District, will hold a town meeting at 7 p.m. March 14 at Carroll Manor Elementary School.

Audience members will be able to ask questions, make suggestions and air concerns. Officials from county agencies also will be present to give overviews of their departments.

The school is in the 4400 block of Carroll Manor Road. Information: 410-887-3388.

Fifth-graders win honors in computer competition

PARKTON - A group of fifth-graders at Seventh District Elementary School has won top honors in the Maryland Instructional Computer Coordinators' Association Multimedia Computer Contest.

Fourteen pupils researched, planned and created a computerized slide show about important events that led to the Revolutionary War. The students will present their show at the MICCA Convention today at the Baltimore Convention Center, where they also will receive individual awards and computer software.

Women's History Month observed at Essex college

ESSEX - "Women's Work: Continuing the Legacy," a monthlong celebration of Women's History Month, will be observed throughout this month on the Essex campus of the Community College of Baltimore County, 7201 Rossville Blvd.

A film on fictional World War II heroine "Rosie the Riveter," a jobs workshop series, music forums and an appearance by Rebecca Lobo of the New York Liberty of the Women's National Basketball Association, will highlight the program.

Information: 410-780-6742.

#### CORRECTION:

Because incomplete information was supplied by the state Court Information Office, an article in Tuesday's Maryland section incorrectly stated the number of judges who work in Baltimore Circuit Court's family division. There are three judges, not one, as reported, assigned to the family court, including the new judge-in-charge, Marcella A. Holland. The Sun regrets the errors.

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